

Additional comments regarding TCEQ's memo dated 1-24-08 regarding need for toxicity testing & tissue collection, from Larry Champagne.

1-24-2008

Hi Gary,

I only have one minor clarification to add {to TCEQ's comments}. You might mention to the PRPs that any toxicity testing conducted should be done in conjunction with sediment chemistry analysis. I understand that they have already done sediment chemistry, but paired toxicity and chemistry data is necessary to best interpret the risk.

Otherwise I agree with everything in the memo Larry provided.

Jessica White

1-28-08

Gary,

I looked at TCEQ's comments. I'm ok with the following additions. Regarding the Leptocheirus toxicity test organism compared to the Ameliscia toxicity test organism for marine sediments, the choice would be helped by the type of sediment. It is my understanding that for more sandy sediments, Ampelisca would be the preferred toxicity test organism, and for silty sediments, Leptocheirus would be the preferred toxicity test organism.

Plus, regarding the proposal for the number of samples, there should be a rationale provided.

Susan Roddy

PS- Kirby had been asking for toxicity values for VOCs, so she will most likely find Larry's additions of VOCs helpful.